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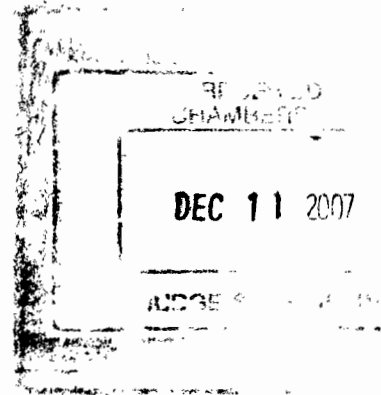
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Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin
United States District Court
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Maikel Soto
07 Cr. 534 (SAS)



Dear Judge Scheindlin:

The Government writes to respectfully request, on behalf of both parties, that the next conference in the above-referenced matter be re-scheduled from December 12, 2007 to a date convenient for the Court during the second or third week of January, 2008, if possible.

The Government respectfully requests that time be excluded for purposes of the Speedy Trial Act between December 12, 2007 and the new conference date. This delay will permit the Government and the defense to continue discussions concerning the possibility of a disposition before trial – these discussions have been fruitful, and the parties now anticipate a plea before the new date. The Government makes this request with the consent of counsel for the defendant.

Very truly yours,

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